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DURHAM, N.H. – New Hampshire Public Radio, in conjunction with the University of New Hampshire, presents an evening with award-winning science journalist Ira Flatow Tuesday, May 1, 2012, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Flatow, host of National Public Radio's "Talk of The Nation: Science Friday," will be interviewed by NHPR's "All Things Considered" host Brady Carlson and will take questions from the audience. The event is in the Strafford Room of the Memorial Union Building on the UNH campus.

As host of "Science Friday" (heard weekly on NHPR Fridays at 2 p.m.), Flatow brings radio and Internet listeners a lively, informative discussion on science, technology health, space and the environment. Mixing his passion for science with a tendency toward being "a bit of a ham," Flatow describes his work as the challenge "to make science and technology a topic for discussion around the dinner table."

A public radio presence for 35 years, Flatow began his career at WBFO in Buffalo, N.Y., while studying for his engineering degree at the State University of New York at Buffalo. He was NPR's science correspondent from 1971 to 1986, and he has hosted, written or produced numerous television programs, including the Emmy Award-winning *Newton's Apple* on PBS. He is the author of the books "Present at the Future: From Evolution to Nanotechnology, Candid and Controversial Conversations on Science and Nature" (2007) and "They All Laughed ... from Light Bulbs to Lasers: The Fascinating Stories Behind the Great Inventions That Have Changed Our Lives."

In addition to UNH, Flatow's appearance is sponsored in part by NEEBCO and Nathan Wechsler & Company.

Since 1981, NHPR has shaped the media landscape in the Granite State and beyond. Its mission is to help create a more informed public, one challenged and enriched by a deeper understanding and appreciation of state, national, and world events, ideas, and culture. NHPR is broadcast from 12 different sites, making it by far New Hampshire's largest (and only) statewide radio news service. Every week NHPR is the choice of more than 183,000 listeners as a primary source of in-depth and intelligent news coverage. Each day NHPR delivers several hours of local news reported by NHPR's award-winning news department, as well as national and world news from NPR and the BBC. NHPR is the exclusive outlet for NPR news in New Hampshire.

The University of New Hampshire, founded in 1866, is a world-class public research university with the feel of a New England liberal arts college. A land, sea, and space-grant university, UNH is the state's flagship public institution, enrolling 12,200 undergraduate and 2,300 graduate students.

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Caption: New Hampshire Public Radio presents Ira Flatow, host of "Science Friday" on National Public Radio, at the University of New Hampshire May 1, 2012.

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